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In re Application of:

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Serial No. 09/991,066

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For MULTI-LAYER ENDLESS BELT,
MEDIUM CONVEYING BELT
CONSISTING OF IT, AND
PRODUCTION METHODS AND
FORMING DEVICES THEREFOR

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Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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Page 1, before the "FIELD OF THE ART" section, insert the following paragraph:

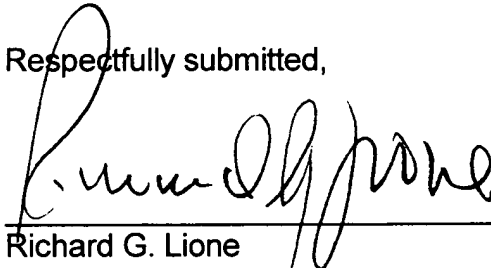
"RELATED APPLICATIONS"

abc This application is related to, and claims priority from the following international applications: PCT Application No. PCT/JP00/03085 designating the United States, filed May 12, 2000, Japan application 11/131707, filed May 12, 1999; Japan application 11/131410 filed, May 12, 1999; Japan application 11/271821, filed September 27, 1999; Japan application 11/315870, filed November 5, 1999; Japan application 11/322786, filed November 12, 1999; Japan application 2000/7787, filed January 17, 2000; Japan application 2000/38780 filed February 16, 2000; Japan application 2000/38779, filed February 16, 2000 and Japan application 2000/38778, filed February 16, 2000."

REMARKS

Entry of aforedescribed amendment is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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